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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/516,602	Applicant(s) PARK ET AL. 	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 January 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

In view of applicant's arguments filed on 1/20/2006, restriction requirement is withdrawn. According the following rejection includes the rejection of claims 10-13.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claim 8 recites the limitation " the metal is Ag " in line 1. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kelly et al (US 6,524,663).

Kelly et al teaches a method of forming a metal pattern the method comprising : forming an organ metallic layer by coating a photosensitive organometallic complex; exposing the organometallic layer to light through a photomask; and forming a metal a pattern by developing the organometallic layer(see abstract and col1, lines 46-54);

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 4-7, 9 –13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chae (US 6,919,931) in combination with Kelly et al(US 6,524,663).

Chae teaches a method of manufacturing a thin film transistor array panel, the method comprising:

Forming a gate wire on an insulating substrate "22", the gate wire including a gate line "13", a gate electrode"26", and a gate pad"41";

With respect to claims 4-9, sequentially depositing a gate insulating layer ""51", an amorphous silicon layer "53", and ohmic contact layer"55" on the gate wire;

Patterning the ohmic contact layer and the amorphous layer by photolithography; forming a data wire on the ohmic contact layer, and the adapt wire including source and drain electrodes "28,30", a data line "15", data pad (not shown);

forming a protective layer "57"on the data wire, the protective layer having a first contact hole "59" exposing the drain electrode, a second contact hole exposing t he gate pad "61"and a third contact hole exposing the data pad (not shown) and;

forming pixel electrode"17", a subsidiary gate pad or transparent pad electrode "43" on gate pad "41", add subsidiary data pad or transparent pad electrode (not shown) on data pad on the protective layer, the pixel electrode being connected to the drain

electrode through first contact hole, the subsidiary gate pad being connected to the gate pad through the second contact hole, the subsidiary data pad being connected to the data pad through the third contact hole (see fig 22,3 4A-5 and related description).

With respect to claim 9 Chae also teaches forming protective layer with prominent and depressed portions

Chae does not teach forming an organometallic layer by coating a photosensitive organometallic complex; placing a photomask over the organometallic layer such that a predetermined region of the organometallic is exposed; exposing the organometallic layer to the light through a photomask; and developing the organometallic layer.

Kelly et al teaches a method of forming a metal pattern the method comprising: forming an organometallic layer by coating a photosensitive organometallic complex; exposing the organometallic layer to light through a photomask; and forming a metal pattern by developing the organometallic layer(see abstract and col1, lines 46-54). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to form metal pattern in the invention of Chae by forming organometallic layer by coating a photosensitive organometallic complex and exposing the organometallic layer to light through photomask and developing and forming a metal pattern by developing the organometallic layer because such process is electroless plating and gives good quality result and metal pattern can be formed on the insulator or on the semiconductor or on the conductors(see col. 1, lines 35-45). Chae in view of Kelly would result the same structure as the structure recited in claims 10-13 (see fig. 2, -4 and related description).

Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chae (US 6,919,931) in combination with Kelly et al(US 6,524,663).as applied to claim1-7,9 above, and further in view of Tanaka Kiyoshi(JP 63-266870).

Neither Chae nor Kelly teach Ag metal. Kiyoshi teaches organic metallic complex containing silver to form metal as a contact on semiconductor materials. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to form silver alternative disclosed materials such Pd , Pt etc.,

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The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The cited prior art teaches forming thin film transistor array panels.

.Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Savitri Mulpuri whose telephone number is 571-272-1677. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri from 8 a.m. to 4.30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Lebentritt, can be reached on 571-272-1873. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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